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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

MICHAEL J. TIERNEY et al.

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For: SURGICAL ROBOTIC TOOLS,  
DATA ARCHITECTURE, AND USE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following remarks.

REMARKS

Pending claims 1-12 correspond to claims 1-3, 7-10, 12-15 and 30 from parent Application S.N. 09/418,726.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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